HOLIDAY **DULLNESS**

Stock Market for Most Part Continues in a State of Hibernation.

FAR EASTERN WAR CLOUD

Opinion in Financial Circles Is That Chances Are on Side of War.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Dec. 23 .- The stock mar ket for the most part continues in a state of hibernation. Practically all of the cir. culation in to-day's market was within the Stock Exchange body itself, without any perceptible share from outside sources. The feature of the day's news was The feature of the day's news was shore semi-annual dividend from 3 1-2 to 4 per cent.; the other Vanderbullts

The feature of the day's naws with shore semi-annual dividend from 3 1-2 to 4 per cent; the other Vanderbullts responded to this news, and it had a mild tonic effect on the general market.

The three point drop in Lake Eric and Western was a marked exception among the vanderbulks. The yearly statement of the Lake Biore carnings was the subject of widespread comment is connection with the dividend increase the surplus after charges and dividends (partly estimated) failing to \$70-2013, compared with \$3,72,085 for the previous year. The subject of ruture railroad bond issues was kept allive by the suppositions as to the dispositions of the proposed Rock Island consolidation retunding issue of \$59,00,000. Rumo, so of the proposed Rock Island consolidation retunding issue of \$59,00,000. Rumo, so of the proposed Rock Island consolidation retunding issue of \$59,00,000. Rumo, so of the proposed founding temporary loans and connecting. The general belief that heavy borrowings by various railroad systems for the purpose of funding temporary loans and for other purposes are ulead of the money market, is to prime factor in agravating the holiday dullness of the Lading. Another is the Far Eastern war cloud, which is a peresting smadow over all the world's innancial markets.

The opinion holds in financial circles that with a possibility of a peaceful outcome, the chances are on the side of war. Much speculative activity was diverted to the cotton market, where heavy realizing of profits was effected in the desire to reduce commiments if oh precing holiday interval. Sterling exchange weakened further to-day, and the demand for remittance was light, the period available for remittance to cover January ist, obligations laving practically expired, The speculative movement in the local tractions was carried on in a rather lightes lashon, and some of the high grade dividend stocks, which figure largely. In the surplus accounts of great image of corporations, were marked up without encountering much opposition.

The bond market wa

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Close: Money on call easy, 3 1-2 to 4: closing bid 3 1-2; orfered at 4. Time loans steady; sixty and nnety days 5 1-2 to 6; six months 6 to. 5 1-4. Prime mercantile paper 5; sterling exchange heavy, with actual business in bankers' bills at 44.84.10 to 44.84.20 for demand, and at 44.80.85 to 34.81 for sixty day bils. Posted rates 44.80.12 to -84.82 and 34.85 to 34.85 t

Wall Street Gossip.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The opening of the slock market was farm, with some disposition to mark up, specialities and indications that the traders were not expecting much more than a holiday market. Commission noise or ders were light, and the largee operators were not represented in the trading to any particular extent.

BROOKLYN TRANSIT ACTIVE—Broyklyn remain was one of the early active features and advanced rather castly. People nearly for their stock and expect to get it. The latest from the people in touch with the intrinsic traction stuation is that the largest holders of the stock have got together and balloue there is more money in independence than in any of the suggested merger schemes.

The two largest life insurance comparies were reported to have had some hand in the marking up of Consolidated Gas and other high-priced issues.

MARKET PROFESSIONAL—The first hoar's trading did not develop any movement of importance, and the business was highly pricessional, even where a little outside line extensional. The floor traders thought that the only real tendency was to reduce commitments on both sides of the books.

This Gates crown is still bearish on Rock Island, holding the theory that money must be borrowed in some way, and that the expectation of it will continue to unfavorably offect the common and preferred stock.

TRADING SPECIALIZED—Trading was ex-tremely specialized after mid-day, but the tone was good, and it was obviously calfer in ad-vance stocks than to force them down. Pla-combination houses were no factor, and there was no general tendency observable.

New York Central was firm on the advance in the Lake Shore dividend.

The improvement in Delayare and Hudson as have been part of the movement to mark of the movement to mark of the high-priced stocks over the end of the arr but as Lackawanna ir also showing arrength, there may be some basis for the tak of a new stock issue with rights sufficiently valuable to amount to a melon cutting.

CLOSE IS CHEERFUL—The market closed cheerful, with a "Merry Christmas" tone to it, which perhaps prevented the floor traters who manhulated the advance from taking at too seriously.

Probably nine-tenths of the day's trading was professional.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

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Richmond, Va., Dec. 23, 1033,

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BALTIMORE STOCK MARKET.

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COTTON MARKETS.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The cotton market opened steady at a decline of 4 points to an attender of 1 points. The tregularity resulting from the depressing insuence of rather disappointing cables, as opposed to prospects for sitigative smaller receipts, bullish auvices from New Orleans and continued bull support out a time-the market ruited firm, but after advanced ing another (sw. points bruke under inquastion, until-prices were about 30 ft. points in a bowler, New Orleans Rept sending in the story of ders, however, 1 gand on the days we buyer so that quotations were about 30 ft. points in the flower, however, 1 gand on the days we buyer so that quotations were controlled buyers from the deep controlled buyers of the prices around mid-day net buyer prices buyer prices around mid-day net buyer prices prices buyer prices prices buyer prices around mid-day net buyer p

to an advance of 7 points that good sales of 331-ton had been made at advanced prices in the interior. Exports were like. Heccipts at the ports to day were 51.751 bates ugainst 43,771 last week and 74.801 and 525.21 last week and 74.801 and 7

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Britain, 45,659 bates; to France, 498,254 bates;
to the Continent, 1,517,505
bates.

Britain, 1.20,820 Bates, 1.21,350 bates.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 22.—COTTON—Quiet, firm and higher, following Liverpool and New York. Sales 7,390 bates, including 4,00 to arrive and 3,000 f. o. b.; delivered on contract, 500 bates; quotations 56. higher. Futures were stondy at the improvement of the first of the second of the s

PRODUCE MARKET.

fancy, argive. Cheese—Quiet; State, full cream, fancy, small colored, September, 12c.; late made, 10c.; small white, September, 12c.; late made, 10c. Eggs—Firm; State and Penasylvania, nearby, average mest, 36c.

Potatoes—Firm; Long island, 52,122,37; Jersoy, 527,22; Jersoy sweet, 31,563,55; State snd Western, sacks, \$1,192,55; cheanuts—stady; fancy handpicked, 44,25; cher donestic, 34,35c. Cabbace, Stady; domestic, rer ton, \$30,093,509; per 18, 42311,00. Cott.)— iy steam to Liverpool, 12c.

CHICAGO, ILL., Dec. 23.—Reports of drought in Texas and an improved export demand; to lay caused strength in wheat. The May certification due higher; May corn up. 40:, and co. higher, and provisions 121/2/30c. Improved. The reading quotations ranged at intiowa. Open. High. Low. Closs VHEAT—No. 2.

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RICHMOND GRAIN MARKET. Richmond, Va., Dec. 23, 1993, QUOTATIONS.

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CATTLE MARKETS.

CHICAGO, ILL., Dec. 28.—CATTLE—Relpits, 12.000 head. Market higher, Good t. trunt steers, \$5.50.95.50; poor to make 1.50.50; stockers and feeders, \$1.004.01, \$3.50.50; stockers and feeders, \$1.004.01, \$1.50.40. primé sited 3, 30.029.021 [102.5] 1.1024.02] 5.00; attoficers and freders. \$1.1024.02] 5.1025.02] helfers. \$2.24.12. cannow. \$1.50 uils. \$1.26.24.55; canves. \$1.50 uils. \$1.025.45; cannow. \$2.00. uils. \$1.025.45; cannow. \$1.025

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—BEEVES—Receipts, \$4,000 head, Stoers, 100,25c. higher; good c7.05, 10c. higher; common to medium, 10ff2-sc. higher; bull, steady. Stoers, 83,005,20; com, and stugs, \$2374.55; bulls, \$2.597.90; cowe, \$1.000, \$3.75. Calves—Receipts, 1,137 head. Market, slow; venis and barnyard calves, lower, Varia, \$4.68.50; little calves, \$393.50; barnyard calves, \$4.68.50; little calves, \$393.50; barnyard calves, \$1000 per pound; \$1.000 p

UNION STOCK VARDS, PITTSBURG, PA.
Dec. 23—CAT'LLE—Stouty. Choice, \$573.10;
prime, \$4.70(4.75); fair, \$573.50. H gs—Higner,
prime, \$4.70(4.75); fair, \$573.50. H gs—Higner,
prime to the say and mediums, \$4.50(4.55); cavy
Prime to the say and mediums, \$4.50(4.55); cutts and common,
prime, \$4.70(4.75); roughe, \$334.50. Heep—Silw.
Prime wethers, \$464.25; cutts and common,
\$1.50(9.25); choice lambs, \$5.70(5.00); year caires,
\$7(97.25).

cincinnati. O., Dec. 23.—HOGS-Active and higher at \$3.0004.50. Cutie—S.rong at \$2.05. Sheep—Steady at \$2.35. Lumbs—Steady at \$4.365.60.

casks; exports, 361 casks. Rosin-Firm; re-colpts, 2,437 barrels; sales, 3,129 barrels; exports, celpts, 2,437 barrels; sales, 3,129 barrels; exports, 5,950 barrels. CHARLESTON, S. C., Ded. 23.-TURPEN-TINE-Steady at 55½c. Rosin-Steady.

COTTONSEED OIL MARKET. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Cottonseed oil was more active and firm, with considerable attention paid to remote deliverios, frime ciude, f. o. b. mills, 20-20c.; prime yollow, 57c.; off summer yellow, nominal; prime white, 3-20c.; primp winter yellow, 4021c.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF RICHMOND, DEC. 23, 1903.

Steamer Brandon, Huddes, Norfolk, merchandlee and pastengoin. Ole Dominion line.
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Steamer Pocahonius, Graves, Norfolk and James River landings, movementles and Lassen-sers, Airginia Navikation Co. Steamer Brandon, Rnodes, Norfolk, merchan-diso and passungers, Old Dominion line.

PORT OF WEST POINT, DEC. 29-1900.

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Baltimore, Baltimore, passenger, and general cargo.

Baltimore, Courtney, Buttimore, passengers and general cargo. PORT NEWPORT NEWS, DEC. 27, 1033,

ARRIVED. Schooner Rebecca Pulmer, Baston, Schooner Henry Witningkun, G. Jucoster, Schooner Daylight, Cape Fujoles, Schooner B. P. Binckburn, Province Schooner (1601ge E. Warcutt, Fortland, Schooner Clara Goodwin, Phys. Lead. River, Press C. P. and T. Lupph, Fall River,

MARRIED IN PHILOLOGIAN HALL OF THE COLLEGE

Mr. Joseph Cariton, Payno and Miss Ella S. Roberts, both of Goochiand, were married at 4 o clock yesterday atternoon in the hall of the Philologian Society at Richmond College, Rev. Dr. Whitsitt performing the ceremony.

Little Girl Burned.

The little six year old siri of Mrs. Fred. Jones, a winow lady reading at No. 48 No. 4

Rickmonders in New York. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Waldorf, Miss
M. Wilke, Mrs. J. W. Wilke; Fifth Avenue, J. B. Pace; Astor, H. B. Norment;
Albemarle, R. S. Bosher; Imperial H.
Campbell; Hoffman, J. C. Shafer.

SPECIAL LOW RATES TO ATLANTA, GA., VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY.
Account of annual meeting Southern Educational Association, December 20th to January 1st, the Southern Railway announces rate of one first class fare for the round trip, plus \$2.23, including membership fee. Tickets on sale December 20th; final limit, January 3d. Through trains, fast schedules, excellent service.
C. W. WESTBURY.

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The quickest route by one hour and five minutes, traversed by trains superb in every appointment, composed of the high-est standard Pullman Sleeping, Drawing-Room, Observation, Library and Dining Cars; cuisine the best the markets afford, served table de hote. Tickets are now on sale by this line to all principal Winter Tourist Resorts in Georgia, Florida, Cuba, New Providence and the Southwest, at very low rates. For descriptive matter and full information, apply to any agent of the company; or, C. S. CAMPBELL,
Division Passenger Agent,

Division Passenger Agent, 838 E. Main St., Richmond, Va.

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via the CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE AND ST. PAUL RAILWAY.

The Southwest Limited, Chicago to Kansas City runs via the new Short Line of the Chicago, Milwaukee, & St. Paul Railway, and offers a new route to the Southwest, and excellence in service and equipment not obtainable classwhere. One of the isasons for this is the fact that the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway owns and operates all of the sleeping, dinlag, library and other cars on these trains. This is the time to go to the Southwest, and this is the way. Descriptive folder free on application to GEORGE J. LINCOLN,

Commercial Agent,
SIS Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.

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R., F. & P. R. R.
One and one-third (1-5) fares, plus
twenty-five cents, for the reund trip between all points on R. F. & P. R. R.
and W. S. Ry. Tickets on saic December
23, 24, 25, 20 and 31, 1969, and January 1,
1901, final return limit January 4, 1904;
continuous passuge in each direction.
W. P. TAYLOR,
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BANKERS, NICHMOND, VA. SOUTHERN INVESTMENT MUNICIPAL BONDS A SPECIALTY. Correspondence invited.

HE DIES OF HIS WOUNDS

Gautier Will be Brought Back to Raleigh to be Tried for Murder.

IS NOW IN THE PENITENTIARY

Will Set Up Plea in the Nature of One of Self-Defense.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

RALEIGH, N. C., Doc. 23. Deputy
Shariff B. E. G. Daugherty, of Sampson
county, who was shot last week by W. A.
Gautier, died yesterday, and Judge Purnell, of the United States court, says
Gautier will be brought back to Raleigh
to answer the charge of muriler. Daugherty was, at the time he was shot, assisting United States Deputy Marshal
Suries to arrest Gautier for the purpose
of bringing him to Raleigh to answer
the charge of destroying rural free delivery mail boxes. They succeeded in
capturing him, but both officers were
wounded, and Gautier was brought here
and sentenced to three years in the
United States prison at Atlanta, with the
understanding that in the event of the
death of Daugherty Gautier should be
brought back to answer for murder.

It is underston that Gautier will set
up the defense that he did not know the
two men were officers, and that when he
awake he heard the voices of two men in
the room after him, and opened fire on
them.

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RALEIGH'S TURN.

It is understood that Raieigh's turn in the transfer of the exchange of the interstate Telephone Company here to the Southern Bell Company will take place sarly next week and after that time there will be only two telephone companies in the field here—the Southern Bell and the Raieigh Telephone Company—the latter being purely a local concern. The transfer here will be about the last to be made in the State in connection with the swallowing up of the Interstate by the Southern Bell, the transfers having been already made in Wilmington, Goldsboro and Winston-Salem,
The Power and Armstrong Company, of Greensboro, was chartered to-day, for the purpose of manufacturing ice and dealing in wood, coal and other tuel at Greensboro: The capital stock authorized is \$50,000, and the incorporators are J. R. A. Power, T. A. Armstrong and others.

The Naomi Falls Store Company is an-

J. R. A. Power, T. A. Armstrong and others.

The Naomi Falls Store Company is another concern incorporated, with \$20,000 capital, to do a general mercantile business. St. Bryant and C. E. Dicks are the principal incorporators.

The Rateigh Mutual Ald Society of Wake county, was granted a charter for the purpose of extending moral and material aid to the members. It is a society composed of the operatives of the Caraleigh Cotton Mills, near this city. It has no capital stock, and can own real estate only to the value of \$200.

The Raleigh hanks will take a good, long Christmas holiday season this year. They closed this afternoon, and will not open again until Monday.

The Asricultural Publishing Company was chartered to-day to purchase the Progressive Farmer from J., W. Denmark and beirs of the Lite Colonel L. L. Polk. C. H. Poe, present editor of the paper, is pres'dent, and T. P. Parker, secretary of the Farmers' Allance, is secretary and Treasuren Other incorporators are Chas. W. Bu kett, of the chair- of agricultural response to the capital is \$10.000.

BEST ROOMS.

Two of Them Occupied by Virginia Couples.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

GREENSBORO, N. C., December 23.—
There were three bridal couples given the 'best room' each at the Benbow Hotel last night: Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kitchen, of Scotland Neck, N. C., on a bridal trip South; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Sydnor (nee Miss Ranic), of Danville, Va., who were married there last night, on their way. South. The other couple, Mr. and Mrs. Royall P. Molvor, of Amherst, Va., were not bride and groom when they reached Greensboro last night, but their assignment to one room, and it of the best, an hour later, told a tale. Mrs. McIvor an hour later, told a tale. Mrs. McIvor an hour before was Miss Carrie E. Steen, of Amherst, Va., Mr. McIvor an hour before was Miss Carrie E. Steen, of Amherst, Va. Mr. McIvor holds a responsible position on the Southern Railway, and Greensboro was his most convenient lay-over point. So it was arranged for the bride-to-be to take the train at Lynchburg and come to Greensboro, Here a license was procuited of the Register of Deeds, Rev. A. C. Krikman, and that accomimodating official also performed the marriago ceremony. mony.

RECEIVERSHIP.

Whiskey Held Up by Town Authorities at Albemarle,

* (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SALISBURY, N. C., Dec. 23.—Mr. J.
C. Lingle, of Rowan, has been appointed receiver of the China Grove Furniture and Material Company. The receivership is the result of a petition from the board of directors of the company. The capital stock is \$31,000, while more than \$40,000 had been invested in machinery and operating material. The estimated liabilities are \$18,000.

An inusual condition exists at Albemerle, where a large amount of whiskey shipped in packages is being held by the town authorities on the ground that the place of delivery is the place of sale. Albemarle being a dry town, it is more than likely many men will have to do without their Christians drinks.

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New Guns Arrive.

(Spectal to The Times-Dispetch.)

WILSON, N. C., Dec. 23.—The Wilson Light infantry have just received their quota of Krag. Jorganson rifles from the adjutant-general at Raleigh. The guns have been long expected, and the men are very much pleased with them and are anxiously awaiting the next target practice, so as to compare their accurateness with the old Springfield.

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